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## Chino Hills Woman Arrested for Real Estate Fraud

San Bernardino, CA - On July 15, 2009, Investigators with the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Real Estate Fraud Unit arrested Anita Mendoza, 44, of Chino Hills, for eight felony counts including grand theft, forgery, and filing forged documents with the County Recorder's Office.

In 2006, Mendoza allegedly forged the victim's signature on a Grant Deed and Deeds of Trust. Two loans, totaling \$917,000, were taken out in the victim's name for the purchase of a Chino Hills residence. The victim had no knowledge of these loans until months later when she was contacted by the lending institution for lack of payment.

Mendoza was booked into the West Valley Detention Center and bail was set at \$1,147,000.